



# **COUNCIL PRESIDENT SHERRI S. LIGHTNER**

*CITY OF SAN DIEGO – COUNCIL DISTRICT 1*

## **Statement**

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SAN DIEGO --- San Diego City Councilmember Sherri Lightner today issued the following statement after her selection as Council President:

“I am honored that my colleagues trust and respect my leadership and have selected me for Council President. I am proud to stand up and serve the City of San Diego as the first female Council President.

“I have worked hard during my six years on Council to be fair, open minded, and independent. I’ve always been a voice for our neighborhoods, and I’m not afraid to go against the grain or stand up for the little guy. I’ll continue to do my homework and make well-researched, informed decisions.

“As an Engineer, I’m primarily interested in getting things done, and I’ll continue to work collaboratively with my Council colleagues and their communities to get as much done as we possibly can for our city.

“I am so proud of our work together to balance the budget, restore city services, improve public safety and infrastructure, and promote economic development to ensure a bright future for San Diego.

“We have much more work to accomplish in the next few years. We need to continue to be advocates to strengthen the voices of each of San Diego’s diverse neighborhoods. We need to improve police salaries, update our city’s charter, approve the Climate Action Plan, address our infrastructure and water needs, and put more city services online to make city government work better for our citizens to name a few.

“I’m excited to work collaboratively with all my Council colleagues to tackle these challenges and many more.

“Finally, I would like to commend Todd Gloria for his service. He has done an outstanding job during his tenure as Interim Mayor and Council President. He brought stability and a calming

presence to the City during a very difficult time and helped restore faith in city government. I will always be one of his biggest fans, as he is one of the best and brightest elected officials with whom I've ever worked. I cannot say enough good things about Todd and the job he has done. I know everyone in San Diego shares my gratitude for his service.”

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